


No. 7:20-CV-85-BR

Defendants.

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Plaintiffs also note the need to take two early depositions in this case due to the advanced age and/or perceived health issues of the witnesses. [DE-39] at 1. “A party may not seek discovery from any source before the parties have conferred as required by Rule 26(f), except in a proceeding exempted from initial disclosure under Rule 26(a)(1)(B), or when authorized by these rules, by stipulation, or by court order.” Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(d)(1); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(a) (timing of depositions). To obtain early discovery, Plaintiffs may pursue a stipulation or court order on a proper motion after having satisfied the requirement of Local Civ. R. 7.1(c)(2) “that there has been a good faith effort to resolve discovery disputes prior to the filing of any discovery motions.” Accordingly, the motion to compel is denied.

SO ORDERED, this the 7 day of October, 2020.



Robert B. Jones, Jr.
United States Magistrate Judge